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Washington Nov 25th. 1822

Dear Sir

We have all been very much distressd, of the accounts recently received of the misfortune you have sustained in the fracture of your arm, or at least of one of its bones. We hope that it has not bee so serious as has been represented, & that you are rapidly recovering from it.

This is a moment, as you well know, when, in addition to the heavy cares which bear on me, the calls of the members of Congress, which can not be resisted, & of others, absorb my whole time; tho' in truth I have little interesting to communicate to you. The enclosd letter will give the most recent & authentic accounts from Mexico. They are however of a distressing character. Return it to me under a blank cover after perusing it.

A warrant has been put to Mr. Gibson for his son. Very sincerely & affey. your friend

James Monroe

